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NOTIFICATION OF THE RECORDING
OF A CHANGE(PCT Rule 92bis.1 and
Administrative Instructions, Section 422)

Date of mailing (day/month/year) 01 February 2001 (01.02.01)
Applicant's or agent's file reference 80021-205
International application No. PCT/CA00/00663

From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

To:

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IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION

International filing date (day/month/year) 07 June 2000 (07.06.00)

1. The following indications appeared on record concerning:

the applicant the inventor the agent the common representative

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2. The International Bureau hereby notifies the applicant that the following change has been recorded concerning:

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3. Further observations, if necessary:

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4. A copy of this notification has been sent to:

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NOTIFICATION OF ELECTION
 (PCT Rule 61.2)

Date of mailing (day/month/year) 20 February 2001 (20.02.01)	To: Commissioner US Department of Commerce United States Patent and Trademark Office, PCT 2011 South Clark Place Room CP2/5C24 Arlington, VA 22202 ETATS-UNIS D'AMERIQUE <small>in its capacity as elected Office</small>
International application No. PCT/CA00/00663	Applicant's or agent's file reference 80021-205
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Applicant MOISE, Alexandru, R. et al	

1. The designated Office is hereby notified of its election made:

in the demand filed with the International Preliminary Examining Authority on:

05 January 2001 (05.01.01)

in a notice effecting later election filed with the International Bureau on:

2. The election was

was not

made before the expiration of 19 months from the priority date or, where Rule 32 applies, within the time limit under Rule 32.2(b).

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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

Applicant's or agent's file reference 80021-205	FOR FURTHER ACTION See Notification of Transmittal of International Preliminary Examination Report (Form PCT/IPEA/416)	
International application No. PCT/CA00/00663	International filing date (day/month/year) 07/06/2000	Priority date (day/month/year) 07/06/1999
International Patent Classification (IPC) or national classification and IPC C12N15/34		
Applicant THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA		
<p>1. This international preliminary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary Examining Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.</p> <p>2. This REPORT consists of a total of 7 sheets, including this cover sheet.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, i.e. sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications made before this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT).</p> <p>These annexes consist of a total of sheets.</p>		
<p>3. This report contains indications relating to the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basis of the report II <input type="checkbox"/> Priority III <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability IV <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of unity of invention V <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement VI <input type="checkbox"/> Certain documents cited VII <input type="checkbox"/> Certain defects in the international application VIII <input type="checkbox"/> Certain observations on the international application 		

Date of submission of the demand 05/01/2001	Date of completion of this report 07.09.2001
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I. Basis of the report

1. With regard to the **elements** of the international application (*Replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report since they do not contain amendments (Rules 70.16 and 70.17)*):
Description, pages:

1-4,6-20	as originally filed		
5	as received on	08/01/2001 with letter of	04/01/2001

Claims, No.:

1-17 as originally filed

Drawings, sheets:

1/2,2/2 as originally filed

Sequence listing part of the description, pages:

1-2 (SEQ ID NOS 1-6), as originally filed

2. With regard to the **language**, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the language in which the international application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

These elements were available or furnished to this Authority in the following language: , which is:

- the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of the international search (under Rule 23.1(b)).
- the language of publication of the international application (under Rule 48.3(b)).
- the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international preliminary examination (under Rule 55.2 and/or 55.3).

3. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, the international preliminary examination was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:

- contained in the international application in written form.
- filed together with the international application in computer readable form.
- furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form.
- furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form.
- The statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.
- The statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence

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listing has been furnished.

4. The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

- the description, pages:
 the claims, Nos.:
 the drawings, sheets:

5. This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed (Rule 70.2(c)):

(Any replacement sheet containing such amendments must be referred to under item 1 and annexed to this report.)

6. Additional observations, if necessary:

III. Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability

1. The questions whether the claimed invention appears to be novel, to involve an inventive step (to be non-obvious), or to be industrially applicable have not been examined in respect of:

- the entire international application.
 claims Nos. 1-3, 5-7, 12 with respect to industrial applicability.

because:

- the said international application, or the said claims Nos. 1-3, 5-7, 12 relate to the following subject matter which does not require an international preliminary examination (*specify*):
see separate sheet
- the description, claims or drawings (*indicate particular elements below*) or said claims Nos. are so unclear that no meaningful opinion could be formed (*specify*):
- the claims, or said claims Nos. are so inadequately supported by the description that no meaningful opinion could be formed.
- no international search report has been established for the said claims Nos. .
2. A meaningful international preliminary examination cannot be carried out due to the failure of the nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing to comply with the standard provided for in Annex C of the Administrative Instructions:
- the written form has not been furnished or does not comply with the standard.
 the computer readable form has not been furnished or does not comply with the standard.

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**V. Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability;
citations and explanations supporting such statement**

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Yes:	Claims 1-8, 12-17
	No:	Claims 9-11
Inventive step (IS)	Yes:	Claims 1-8, 12-17
	No:	Claims 9-11

Industrial applicability (IA) Yes: Claims 4, 8-11, 13-17

No: Claims

2. Citations and explanations

see separate sheet

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January 4, 2001

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Attn: International Preliminary Examining Authority

Dear Sirs:

RE: Patent Cooperation Treaty Application Serial No. PCT/CA00/00663

International Filing Date: June 7, 2000

Earliest Priority Date: June 7, 1999

Demand for Chapter II due: January 7, 2001

**Title: APOPTOSIS INHIBITION BY
ADENOVIRUS E3/6.7K**

Applicant: The University of British Columbia

This is a request for an amendment under Article 34. Please make the following amendments.

In the Description:

Replace page 5 presently on file with the enclosed replacement page.

Remarks:

This amendment corrects a clerical error in the sequence identification numbers set out at page 5, line 13. In the pag presently on file, the sequences ref red to at that line are indicated as being numbers 4 & 5. However, sequence identification number 4 had

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already been assigned (see page 5, line 7). Accordingly, the sequence identification numbers at line 13 of page 5 have been amended to read numbers 4 & 5.

We look forward to examination of this application.

Yours very truly,
SMART & BIGGAR

J. Christopher Robinson

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Enc. Replacement page 5

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figure 1 Nucleic acid sequence showing the alignment of the naturally occurring nucleic acid sequence(SEQ ID NO: 1), which is capable of encoding a E3/6.7K protein corresponding to that of Adenovirus serotype Ad2 wild-type(Wt.), and the Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) nucleic acid product expected (SEQ ID NO: 2) when the forward primer(FP - SEQ ID NO: 3) and reverse primer(RP - SEQ ID NO: 4) are used to amplify the wild-type sequence(Wt.). Start codons are underlined. The nucleic acids shown in bold in the forward primer(FP) represent a modification to provide a Kozak consensus sequence. The nucleic acids shown in bold in the reverse primer(RP) is a modified stop codon to enhance translation.

Figure 2 Amino acid sequence showing the alignment of the E3/6.7K protein amino sequences from the Ad2(SEQ ID NO: 5) and Ad5(SEQ ID NO: 6) Adenovirus serotypes. The Ad 2 E3/6.7K amino acid sequence is 61 amino acids in length and the Ad5 E3/6.7K amino acid sequence is 63 amino acids in length.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

As used herein for description of this invention, the terms E3/6.7K protein and E3/6.7K polypeptide include: a protein or fragment thereof encoded by a nucleic acid as depicted in Figure 1; a Ad2 or Ad5 adenovirus serotype protein or fragment thereof as depicted in Figure 2; or a protein having at least 70% similarity as defined by a Basic Blast search using default parameters to the Ad2 or Ad5 proteins depicted in Figure 2. The Ad5 protein is actually about 7.1K.

Modulation of apoptosis, including inhibition of apoptosis or rescue of a cell from apoptosis may be determined by various methods known in the art, including assays which directly measure apoptosis or which measure the activity of TNF- α , such as those described herein.

Gene Therapy Methods. The isolated nucleic acid molecule depicted in Figure 1, a nucleic acid molecule encoding an E3/6.7K protein as defined herein or a nucleic acid molecule complementary to those described above, may be incorporated into a vector suitable

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Re Item III

Non-establishment of opinion.

Claims 1-3, 5-7 and 12 relate to subject-matter considered by this Authority to be covered by the provisions of Rule 67.1(iv) PCT. Consequently, no opinion will be formulated with respect to the industrial applicability of the subject-matter of these claims (Article 34(4)(a)(i) PCT).

Re Item V

Reasoned statement under Art. 35(2) PCT with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability.

- 1) Reference is made to the following documents (the document numbering corresponds to their order of citation in the international search report):

- D1: WO 99 02658 A (SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY) 21 January 1999 (1999-01-21)
- D4: ELSING ANDREAS ET AL: 'The adenovirus E3/10.4K-14.5k proteins down-modulate the apoptosis receptor Fas/Apo-1 by inducing its internalization.' PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF THE UNITED STATES, vol. 95, no. 17, 18 August 1998 (1998-08-18), pages 10072-10077, XP002151270 Aug. 18, 1998 ISSN: 0027-8424
- D6: WILSON-RAWLS JEANNE ET AL: 'The signal-anchor domain of adenovirus E3-6.7K, a type III integral membrane protein, can direct adenovirus E3-gp19k, a type I integral membrane protein, into the membrane of the endoplasmic reticulum.' VIROLOGY, vol. 201, no. 1, 1994, pages 66-76, XP002151272 ISSN: 0042-6822 cited in the application

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Novelty under Art. 33(2) PCT.

- 2) Numerous experiments on the E3 region of adenovirus, and also of the 6.7K polypeptide, have been performed in the prior art. In the course of this, several constructs have been created which fall under the terms of claims 9-11. For example, document D1 describes the creation of mutant replication-deficient viruses, in which the Ad2 E3 genes have been placed under the control of a CMV promoter, flanked by Ad5 sequences (pgs. 32/33). As another example, document D6 and references cited therein (Wold 1986) cites the use of adenoviruses with contain modifications to the 6.7K gene.

As a consequence, claims 9-11 cannot be acknowledged to be novel.

- 3) No document of the prior art suggests the use of the E3/6.7K protein in a medical application. Also, E3/6.7K was never implied to have a function in apoptotic pathways.

Therefore, claims 1-8 and 12-17 are viewed to be novel.

Inventive Step under Art. 33(3) PCT.

- 4) Despite extensive examination of the adenoviral E3 locus in general, and the 6.7K protein in particular, the prior art does not imply a role of the E3/6.7K protein in apoptosis. In fact, document D4 identifies the E3/10.4K and 14.5K proteins to mediate down-regulation of Fas, but states that cells transfected with constructs encoding other E3 proteins (12.5K, 6.7K, 19K, and 11K) appear to have normal levels of Fas, actually leading the skilled person away from the invention of the application.

An inventive step is therefore acknowledged for subject-matter of claims 1-8 and 12-17.

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Industrial Applicability under Art. 33(4) PCT.

- 5) For the assessment of the present claims 1-3, 5-7 and 12 on the question whether they are industrially applicable, no unified criteria exist in the PCT Contracting States. The patentability can also be dependent upon the formulation of the claims. The EPO, for example, does not recognize as industrially applicable the subject- matter of claims to the use of a compound in medical treatment, but may allow, however, claims to a known compound for first use in medical treatment and the use of such a compound for the manufacture of a medicament for a new medical treatment.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC 7	C12N15/34	C07K14/075	G01N33/68	A61K48/00	A61K39/235
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According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
IPC 7 C07K C12N

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EP0-Internal, BIOSIS, CHEM ABS Data, WPI Data, MEDLINE, EMBASE, SCISEARCH

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	WO 99 02658 A (SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY) 21 January 1999 (1999-01-21) figures 27,28; example 10	8-11
A	---	1-5, 12-17
X	WO 91 08310 A (RES CORP TECHNOLOGIES INC) 13 June 1991 (1991-06-13) page 29, line 3-5; claims 1,2,15,31	8-11
A	---	1-5, 12-17
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Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C.

Patent family members are listed in annex.

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"X" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone

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Date of the actual completion of the international search

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31 October 2000

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X	DATABASE DISSERTATION ABSTRACTS 'Online! Dissertation Abstracts Online; AN - 01490827, 1995 LIPPE, ROGER: "MODULATION OF THE MHC CLASS I ANTIGEN PROCESSING AND PRESENTATION PATHWAY" retrieved from DIALOG Database accession no. 01490827 XP002151273 abstract	8-11
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	WILSON-RAWLS JEANNE ET AL: "The signal-anchor domain of adenovirus E3-6.7K, a type III integral membrane protein, can direct adenovirus E3-gp19k, a type I integral membrane protein, into the membrane of the endoplasmic reticulum." VIROLOGY, vol. 201, no. 1, 1994, pages 66-76, XP002151272 ISSN: 0042-6822	
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Information on patent family members

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Patent document cited in search report	Publication dat	Patent family member(s)		Publication dat
WO 9902658	A 21-01-1999	AU 8297098	A	08-02-1999
WO 9108310	A 13-06-1991	AU 6966891 US 5106965	A	26-06-1991 21-04-1992

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(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

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Applicant THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA		

This International Search Report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This International Search Report consists of a total of **5** sheets.

It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. Basis of the report

- a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
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2. **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box I).

3. **Unity of Invention Is lacking** (see Box II). |

4. With regard to the **title**,

- the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.
- the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

APOPTOSIS INHIBITION BY ADENOVIRUS E3/6.7K

5. With regard to the **abstract**,

- the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.
- the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box III. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. The figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No.

- as suggested by the applicant.
- because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.
- because this figure better characterizes the invention.

 None of the figures.

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Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC 7 C07K C12N

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